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To: Microsoft ATR

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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

To whom it may concern,

I am writing in opposition to the settlement proposed between Microsoft and the Department of Justice. It will not lessen the monopoly power of Microsoft over the software industry. The settlement may even have the reverse effect ... secure in the knowledge that they can do whatever they wish without adverse consequences, Microsoft may now exert their power to take over new emerging areas of the technology arena.

Microsoft claims it wants and needs the ability to innovate. If so, the same applies to all other companies in the computing industry. But Microsoft's monopoly power denies this ability to any company that would like to compete against them. It is preferable to impair Microsoft a little in this regard, especially since they have been found guilty, to level the playing field for everyone. Why should Microsoft be able to innovate while they keep their potential competitors from doing so?

You, the Department of Justice, have proven in a court of law that Microsoft has done wrong. The next step should be significant punishment, not encouragement to continue to do wrong. Please live up to the name of your department. Discard this settlement and pursue real justice.

Thank you

-- Adam Glass